

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 1205

By Herron

A RESOLUTION to honor and recognize Derek Ahn, 2008 Valedictorian of Westview High School.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the members of this General Assembly should pause to pay tribute to those students who, through their natural talents and unflagging commitment to academic excellence, have distinguished themselves in the classroom; and

WHEREAS, Derek Ahn is one such exceptional student who was recently named Valedictorian of the 2008 graduating class at Westview High School; and

WHEREAS, through diligent study, steady composure during examinations, and steadfast commitment of time and talent, Mr. Ahn has achieved outstanding academic success and has joined the ranks of the best and brightest students in Tennessee and our country; and

WHEREAS, in his remarkable high school career, Derek has earned an exemplary grade point average while participating in numerous extracurricular activities, including the National Honor Society, the Beta Club, the Key Club, Mu Alpha Theta, and Student Council; and

WHEREAS, in addition to his status as a stellar scholar, Mr. Ahn is an avid sports enthusiast and has been a key player on his school's soccer team; and

WHEREAS, no stranger to accolades, this exceptional young man has earned numerous honors, including the National Merit Scholarship, a Letter of Commendation, and numerous awards in soccer; and

WHEREAS, Derek evinces his devout religious faith as an active member of First Baptist Church in Martin, where he renders sterling service in the youth group and the senior high choir; and

WHEREAS, Mr. Ahn's display of intellectual aptitude and ambition surely bodes well for his future success; and

WHEREAS, Derek's noteworthy achievement is a tremendous source of pride for his parents, Min Ung Ahn and Eun Young Lee, his school, and his community; and

WHEREAS, Derek Ahn's dedication to excellence is clearly deserving of the respect, admiration, and commendation of this legislative body; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED FIFTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING, that we hereby honor and commend Derek Ahn, 2008 Westview High School Valedictorian, on his impressive academic achievement and extend to him our best wishes for a happy, successful future.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.